



INDEMNITY IS SAID TO BE BILLION

COVER COST OF WAR

Cession of Sakhalin and Liaotung Peninsula Essentials.

Supposed Recognition of Japanese In- fluence in Korea and Return to China of Manchuria Will Be Included in Demands.

Washington, July 26.—Whether there will be peace in the Far East or continuance of the war will be practically decided at the first meeting of the Washington conference, which will convene at the navy yard of Portsmouth, N. H., about August 5.

Baron Komura will on that occasion communicate to M. Witte the essentials of Japan's peace terms for further negotiations.

This, it is declared, will not be done in a spirit of defiance; indeed, there are many evidences that Japan is not imbued with a desire to humiliate Russia, but only to exact terms to insure a lasting peace in the Far East and which in a measure will compensate Japan for her financial losses in the present conflict. Although guarding with great care, the official statement of her terms, officials at Washington are enabled to form within certain limits, a general idea of their character.

It is known that Japan demands an indemnity sufficient to approximately cover the cost of the war to date. The amount is still a secret, but will not fall far short of a billion dollars, according to advices reaching here from well informed sources. Besides the indemnity it is believed Japan's other essentials are the cession of Sakhalin, of Liaotung peninsula and the railway as far as Harbin, the recognition of the Japanese as the predominating influence in Korea and the return of Manchuria to China.

St. Petersburg, July 26.—The interview with Ainar Sato, spokesman for Baron Komura, with the Associated Press was received with pleasure in many quarters as indicating the Japanese are not disposed to insist upon terms which Russia will be unable to accept.

Mild surprise was expressed at the foreign office and at several of the embassies, however, in the frank intimation

STRINGENT MEASURES TO PREVENT SPREAD OF FEVER

New Orleans, July 26.—Six deaths from yellow fever were recorded today up to 6 P. M., making a total to date of 45.

The number of new cases reported yesterday, but compiled today, is eleven, making all told to date 165.

There are now nineteen within the focal of infection.

The organization of forces for fighting the spread of the infection and for a campaign of education and the practical application of mosquito extermination plans have been completed and beside, 100 men were put on as extras to clean the gutters of the city, three hundred and fifty men are at work as a part of the system of sanitation.

Citizens are being organized in wards

that Japan will demand indemnity and that there was even a disposition to criticize the Japanese delegate for mentioning the subject, though that this will be one of the Japanese conditions has been taken for granted and special dispatches from Berlin and Paris connected with M. Witte's conference with the German and French financiers as being for the purpose of sounding the markets on the prospects of issuing an indemnity loan.

COMMITTEE WILL ORGANIZE.

To Meet at Albany and Will Then Investigate Insurance Business.

Rochester, July 26.—State Senator William Armstrong sent out announcements to his senatorial and assembly associates who are serving on the joint legislative committee to investigate the life insurance business in this state, that the committee will meet in Albany for organization next week.

It Senator Armstrong's associates agree, the committee will organize at once and immediately proceed to New York where headquarters will be established and counsel employed.

Dies Result of Operation.

San Francisco, July 26.—H. C. Russell of Boston has died at a local hospital following an operation for appendicitis. He arrived on Tuesday last from the East. He was a member of the firm of Mason & Russell, Excursion agents.

PEARY SAILS FOR ARCTIC

Roosevelt Leaves North Sydney, C. B., Amid Cheering.

Explorer Tendered Ovation by People of Cape Breton. Seems Confident That Expedition Will Be Successful. Mrs. Peary and Daughter Return New York

North Sydney, B. C., July 26.—The Arctic steamer Roosevelt bearing Commander Peary and his latest expedition swung clear of the terminal wharf and headed Northward on a voyage of discovery toward the North Pole at 2 o'clock this afternoon. As the steamer left the wharf the immense crowd which gathered to witness the departure, burst into cheers, which were mingled with the whistles of steamers, the demonstration lasting as the steamer proceeded down the harbor.

The city was gaily decorated for the occasion.

Commander Peary in speaking of the expedition shortly before his departure seemed confident that the outcome will be successful, in which case he intends to return in September, 1906.

Mrs. Peary and her daughter, who has been with Commander Peary in this city pending his departure, left for New York today.

FIGHT RAGING ON TUMEN RIVER

JAPS ATTACK RUSSIANS

Army of Thousands En- gaged in a Great Battle.

Japanese Effect Landing at Dekastries, 700 Miles North of Vladivostok, Supposedly to Prevent Russian Retreat Across Straits of Tartary.

London, Thursday, July 27.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, at Tokio, sends a report received from Osaka, Japan to the effect that a Japanese army of many thousands of men is attacking the Russian position on Tumen river.

Landing at Dekastries.

St. Petersburg, July 26.—Despatches from Manchuria report the landing of a Japanese battalion and the capture of a lighthouse on the Siberian coast near Dekastries. The port was formerly called Alexandrovsk, and is 700 miles north of Vladivostok.

No importance is attached to it other than that the landing is part of the strategy of the Japanese to prevent escape of the Russian garrison in Sakhalin across the straits of Tartary.

London Comment.

London, July 26.—The Japanese landing at Dekastries, the terminus of the only cable line connecting the main line with the island of Sakhalin, is regarded by London newspapers as an attempt to seize the mouth of the Amur river in order to enable the Japanese to dispatch an army up that great waterway for the purpose of threatening Russian communications.

Japanese gunboats and torpedo boats may thus reach Harbin and give effective assistance to any attack on the Russian fortifications.

Both the Ussuri and Sungari rivers are navigable for light draft vessels and it is believed the Japs have a river expedition ready, and the mere threat of its advance may suffice to change the plans of the Russians and compel a retirement from the Kirin and Fenghua districts, upon Harbin.

KOMURA WILL MEET PRESIDENT TODAY

New York, July 26.—Baron Komura and Minister Takahira, the Japanese peace plenipotentiaries will make an informal visit with President Roosevelt tomorrow. Only the two principals of the delegation will go to Oyster Bay the other members of the suite remaining in this city to transact the business of the commission of which there is a great amount. The two plenipotentiaries, it is understood, will return late at night.

FINDS RARE PLANT.

Brooklyn Man Finds Species of Sundew At Napeague Beach.

Brooklyn, July 26.—James Lusty, of Brooklyn, is accredited with finding on

Napeague Beach, near Montauk, a rare plant which heretofore has only been found in the Southern States. It is commonly known as sundew. The Latin botanical name is Drosera Rotundifolia.

Mr. Lusty is visiting his brother at Amagansett. He makes a practice of furnishing botanical specimens to the schools of Brooklyn and Manhattan, and often makes trips out into the country looking for rare specimens. He believes he has found a treasure in locating the sundew so near to the cities.

It is stated that the sundew is found in damp places, and usually grows in moss and feeds upon insects. The leaf is disc-shaped. When a small insect lights upon it the leaf closes up like an umbrella, and when the leaf opens again there is nothing left of the insect but the skeleton.

AGED WOMAN WALKS FOURTEEN LONG MILES

Is Eighty Three But Makes Distance in Seven Hours.

Canton, N. Y., July 26.—Laughed at by her friends when she said she could walk to Canton from her home in Clare, a distance of fourteen miles, in seven hours, Mrs. Emeline Gould, 83 years of age, a day or so ago surprised everybody by walking into this village none the worse for her long jaunt. She had completed her journey in the time specified and proved that she made no idle boast. She returned to her home in the stage.

The aged pedestrian's grandmother lived to see the ripe old age of 101 years and several of her uncles nearly reached the century mark. Mrs. Gould's friends hope that she will continue with them many years.

YOUNG GIRL DROWNED BY PRACTICAL JOKER

Drags Girl to Sea and Gets Cramps. He Then Deserts Victim.

Bridgeport, Conn., July 26.—While Lillian Brabner, 14 years old, was sitting with a companion yesterday at the bathing pavilion at Seaside Park, a bather, seized her by the hands and against her will and dragged her into deep water. Barrett was seized with cramps and started for a row boat, telling the girl to save herself. She sank and was drowned. Barrett was taken ashore and placed under arrest, but later was released without bail. Barrett was unknown to the victim of his practical joke. The drowning will be investigated by the police.

RUSSIA WANTS PART OF NORWAY

Light Shed on Meeting of Two European Sovereigns.

Said Emperor William Wished Czar to Consent to Prince Hohenzollern Ascending Throne of Norway. Nicholas May Consent.

London, July 26.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Stockholm says:

The object of Emperor William's interview with Emperor Nicholas was to obtain the consent of the latter for Prince Hohenzollern to ascend the throne of Norway. It is possible that the Russian emperor will consent provided Russia will be permitted to slightly rectify her frontier on the Atlantic. The Mail commenting on the dispatch suggests that "rectified frontier" means that Russia wants to acquire a strip of Norwegian territory which parts Finland from the Arctic ocean, thus gaining a seaport.

Stops Runaway.

Brooklyn, July 26.—After a chase of over two miles Policeman Ennis stopped a runaway horse, frightened by an automobile, on Central avenue, Far Rock away, last evening. The animal belonged to Mortimer Harrison, of 247 Central avenue. The policeman was dragged 50 feet and was badly cut.

COTTON DOES NOT WANT POST

DECLINES JUDGESHIP

Recently Appointed Federal Judge to Stay With Harriman.

William W. Cotton Has Concluded to Decline Appointment as United States Judge for District of Oregon. Will Remain With Harriman.

Portland, July 26.—William W. Cotton, with a commission already in his possession, has concluded to decline the appointment as United States Judge for the District of Oregon. Private advices to this effect have been received and the fact has been absolutely confirmed. Mr. Cotton left New York for Oregon last night, after a conference with the Eastern Officials of the Harriman lines, and today the fact that his intention to decline the judicial position offered him by the president, became known. He will arrive in Portland next Monday.

While no information has been received giving a reason for this action on the part of the federal judge-appointee, it is generally believed that inducements have been offered by the Harriman system that make it worth while for him to decline the bench and remain where he is with additional powers and financial consideration.

HELD ON TWO CHARGES.

Brooklyn, July 26.—Frank Rossa, of 259 North Ninth street, was charged in the Flatbush court today with driving two sick horses attached to a truck heavily loaded with bricks, and also with beating a team of horses pulling another load of bricks, driven by Joseph Chester. The charges were preferred by Patrolman Hayden, of the Flatbush station, who arrested Rossa yesterday afternoon at Flatbush avenue and Avenue G. Rossa denied the charges, and was held in examination in \$500 in each case.

WINS HIS BRIDE.

Stamford, Conn., Man Overcomes Objection to Sweetheart's Relatives.

Brooklyn, July 26.—Miss Theresa E. Horne and William Everhard, Jr., were married on Wednesday at Sheephead bay by the Rev. Father Dumphy. The wedding was to have taken place at Stamford, Conn., the home of Mr. Everhard, but the large party of guests who gathered to witness the ceremony, were disappointed, as the bride did not appear. She lives with her uncle, Thomas Cosgrove, a hotel keeper, of East Seventh street and Jerome avenue, Sheephead

bay. Everhard hurried to Brooklyn and learned, he says, that some of the young woman's relatives were opposed to the marriage. He says he was able to overcome this opposition and the wedding ceremony was performed. The attendants were Carl Dorger and Theresa M. Horne, a cousin of the bride.

Everhard is said to be in Stamford today. Mrs. Everhard is in Sheephead bay.

IDENTIFIES ASSAILANT.

Brooklyn, July 26.—On the charge of felonious assault, Antonio Christiano was held for examination in the Adams street court today. He is believed to be the man who shot Felipe Carretto during a row at a saloon at Fourth avenue and Garfield place on the night of July 1.

The injured man is now in a serious condition in the Seney hospital. When Christiano was arrested last night by Detectives Vachus and Mialle, of the local detective bureau, he was taken to the hospital and Carretto nodded when asked if the man was the one who shot him.

Today's Weather.

Portland, July 26.—Oregon and Washington; Thursday, partly cloudy and cooler, except near the coast.

SALMON RUN BREAKS ALL RECORDS

Washington, B. C., July 26.—The run of salmon at River's Inlet at Bell Coola and also on the Skenna River has been so great that the canneries have had to shut down temporarily for lack of tins. The run has broken all records in the North.

WITNESS HAS DISAPPEARED

Ernest Starr, Son of Congressman Williamson Missing.

Left Portland for Eugene and then Went into the Mountains. Secret Service Men in Hot Pursuit and Believed Fleeing Man Will Be Apprehended.

Portland, July 26.—Ernest Starr, a nephew of Congressman Williamson, and an important witness in the Williamson-Gessner-Biggs trial, is missing. It is stated that last Thursday when he found that the Williamson jury was likely to disagree, he left Portland going from there to Eugene where he struck out into the mountains. Secret service agents and their assistants are following in pursuit and state it will be but a matter of a short time before Starr is apprehended.

Operate Upon Rojstvensky.

Tokio, July 26.—Rear Admiral Rojstvensky has undergone a successful operation. A wound in his forehead was opened and a small piece of bone was removed. His condition is considered satisfactory.

SUBJECT OF MANCHURIAN RESTORATION TEDIOUS

Washington, July 26.—The subject of the restoration of Manchuria to China will be a tedious one, and it is believed that Russia will hesitate at the prospect that Japan will demand she be allowed to place over that province until China is in a position to maintain order.

Another subject of discussion will be the surrender of interned ships.

The neutralization of Vladivostok, it is not believed here, will be one of Japan's demands. Russia has let it be known that rather than to submit to Japan's dictation, she will certainly continue the war. Little progress has

been made, with the subject of an armistice and it is not believed there will be until the first meeting of the plenipotentiaries, as Japan does not propose to take chances in abandoning her present advantageous positions and resting on arms, while Russia continues to import troops.

Information has reached here that President Roosevelt has not ceased in his efforts in this direction and in the case Baron Komura goes to Oyster Bay in advance of the formal presentation, it will be for the purpose of discussing this phase of the negotiations.